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Chartwells' contract extended six years?

Andrea Drac
Assistant News Editor

All around campus, there have been rumors the contract for Chartwells, the dining service that provides the food for PUC's Oaken Arbor Café, Outtakes and Grab & Go, is up at the end of the semester.

This couldn't be further from the truth. In fact, the contract for Chartwells has been extended and shows no sign of expiring anytime soon.

"The contract for Chartwells is not up after this semester," PUC Chancellor Howard Cohen said. "We partnered with them to make some improvements in the Oaken Arbor Café and Outtakes and extended the contract at that time. We still have several years

left on the current contract."

According to SGA President David Ober, the contract isn't up until May of 2011.

Ken Johnston, PUC's vice chancellor for information services, mentioned a provision stating the contract could be further extended until May 2016.

"Due to extensions based on capital improvements made by Chartwells, the contract has been extended until May 2011 with a provision that it can be further extended until May 2016," Johnston said.

One capital improvement that still has not been made with Chartwells is their operating hours. Currently, Oaken Arbor Café closes at 3 p.m. Monday

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CHARTWELLS CONTRACT

- ☒ Healthy meals
- ☐ Decent hours
- ☐ Affordable prices
- ☐ Improvements
- ☐ Happy customers

X *All the students at PUC*

HIV/AIDS cases rise for women

Amber Mayes
Chronicle Correspondent

According to the World Health Organization, AIDS is the leading cause of death among women between the ages of 15 and 44.

Originally, health officials thought HIV and AIDS mostly affected homosexual men. However, women have always suffered from the disease, too. A 2006 Centers for Disease Control report stated that young adults aged 13 to 29 accounted for the largest number of new HIV infections in the United States. Even though more men have HIV than women, women are catching up.

In fact, according to the CDC, if new HIV/AIDS infections continue at their current rate worldwide, women with HIV/AIDS may soon outnumber men.

"It's scary to know how young women are affected by this virus," PUC student Brittany Shepherd said. "No one ever thinks that HIV or AIDS can happen to them, but obviously it does."

Many people don't know or understand the difference between HIV and AIDS. According to the CDC, HIV is the virus that causes AIDS. It is different from every other virus since it attacks the immune system. HIV finds and destroys a type of white blood cell that our immune system must have to fight diseases.

The CDC reports that AIDS is the final stage of HIV, meaning that the virus has weakened the immune system to the point to where it is difficult to fight diseases.

According to a WHO report—after all these years of research and prevention campaigns—the rate of HIV among young women aged 16 to 21 is 50 percent higher than the rate among young men in that age group.

"I can't believe that women are so affected by this virus," PUC student Taylor Mason said. "It just proves that everybody is at risk and everybody needs to protect themselves."

The only way to know if one is infected is to take an HIV test. Symptoms alone cannot warn a person of infection. Many people infected with HIV do not have any symptoms at all for 10 years or more.

If interested in an HIV or AIDS test, the PUC Student Health Services Center offers

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Get your funny on with PUC Improv Group



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Jazmin Barnett-Birdsong and Nikko Elliott act out a scene where they wait for a bus during the game "phrases in a can" during an improv club meeting.

Joelle Halon
News Editor

PUC's Improv Group is the brainchild of freshman Anna Weiss.

"I love theater and found out from [theatre director and instructor] Corya Channing that there was not an improv group here, so I asked her how I could possibly get one started, mostly for something to do," Weiss said.

PUC's Improv Group is looking for students who enjoy comedy and want to have fun. According to fliers posted around campus, "Improv is a theatre

technique which relies on one's basic instincts to guide a performance."

Most students may be familiar with improv, short for improvisation, through Drew Carey's show "Who's Line is it Anyway?" which aired on TV stations ABC and ABC Family from Aug. 5, 1998 to Nov. 10, 2006.

According to website Hide-out Theatre, "Improv is a form of live theatre in which plots, characters, scenes, stories, and dialogue are often made up on the spot."

Weiss met math major Jazmin Barnett-Birdsong, the group's vice president, while au-

ditioning for "Off the Map," a play PUC's theatre company will present in December. Weiss said Barnett-Birdsong showed an interest in an improv group.

According to Weiss, Barnett-Birdsong said, "It would be great to have because if you are a student that loves theatre but does not make the play, there really was not much else you could do with theatre."

After asking Barnett-Birdsong to join the group as vice president, Weiss asked Channing to be the advisor, after which Weiss said, "Everything started to fall into place."

Besides the fun factor, improv also helps people with public speaking.

"I have learned in my years of theatre that improv is a huge help with the fear of public speaking," Weiss said. "It helps loosen a person up, and teaches them to have fun when talking to a group, not be uptight and nervous."

During the initial meetings, Weiss and Barnett-Birdsong said they are teaching improv warm-ups and games. They plan to put on shows on and off campus in order to help raise money for the PUC Theatre Company.

"Next semester, we will start teaching long-form improv, and some of the money we raise will go to getting costumes," Weiss said. "We are hoping to have a good long-form story established by next fall so that we can be in the talent show."

The Improv Group holds regular meetings, which started Nov. 13 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. During these meetings, Weiss and Barnett-Birdsong teach new material to group members. On Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., the group holds review sessions to go over material learned during the Friday meetings.

"Improv is all about comedy, and I think every student on campus loves to laugh," Weiss said. "I see it as a win-win situation. You can join the group to make people laugh—and even laugh yourselves—or come see the shows and have a blast."



Jessie Martin
Student Body Vice President

Hello PUC Students! It is hard to believe we are approaching Thanksgiving break already, and even more difficult to believe that there are less than five weeks remaining this semester. Before you know it, we will all be putting Christmas decorations up and the snow will begin to fall again. As we push forward to the end of the fall semester, I wish everyone luck with their final projects and exams.

While the semester is seemingly flying by, your Student Government Association has been working on a wide-range of issues. One particular issue that we have been attempting to address and are beginning to see some results on concerns campus security here at PUC.

The first piece of legislation that the Student Senate approved out of the SGA was bill S.09-06, the Student Safety and Campus Security Act of 2009. This bill essentially recommends that the Campus Security and Advisory Committee of PUC perform a thorough assessment of the external campus security each fall and another thorough assessment of the internal campus security each spring.

In addition to this, this same committee that performs these assessments would be required to publish and distribute a report each year that addresses the threats found by the committee and what will be done to neutralize these threats.

This bill has been recognized by the Chancellor's office, and they have recently sent us a tentative plan in response to SGA's Student Safety and Campus Security Act of 2009 that would be put in place to increase security here on the PUC campus.

A few of the details of this plan include a new committee that would be created and would look at police reports and clergy act reports. This new committee would meet at least once a semester. More details of this plan are forthcoming.

In addition to this, two new officers were recently added to the University Police team here at PUC. This is another step in the right direction.

The Student Senate also has approved a recommendation put forth to us from the University Police and Student Activities. This recommendation addresses safety concerns at larger events put on by student organizations here at PUC.

A number of focus groups that included both advisors and students concluded that a new set of guidelines needed to be put in place at larger events to keep PUC students safe, and that is what these new guidelines do. I am confident that, while there is no way to keep events 100% safe, these new guidelines will go a long way in keeping events safer than they may have been in the past and are in the best interest of students here at PUC.

We will continue to work with other organization on campus, along with the University Police, in making PUC a safer place to attend school. Let's not forget though that everyone needs to do their part in making PUC a more secure place. Just being conscience of your surroundings and reporting suspicious behavior can go a long way in making PUC a safer place.

~Jessie Martin, Student Body Vice-President

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What's Going On? A Look Around...

Help needed for set building

Help is needed to construct scenery for the Purdue Theatre Company on the upcoming play, Off the Map. Scenery will be built on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Alumni Hall. For more information call Corya Channing at 989-2267.

H1N1 vaccine available for students

Purdue Calumet's Student Health Services Center has received a limited supply of H1N1 influenza inactivated vaccine. Similar to a seasonal flu shot, this vaccine is intended to be injected into one's arm.

More information about the H1N1 vaccine available to Purdue Calumet students can be obtained by contacting the university's Student Health Services Center at shscenter@calumet.purdue.edu or 219/989-1235.

Research opportunities for PC students

The Student Research and Development Association will be hosting a meeting in Anderson 207 on Nov. 19, from 4 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. If you are looking into student research, here's your chance to find out everything you need to know on how to get started. Come and check out great research opportunities for you!

PUC's Got Talent!

On Friday Nov. 20, Student Activities hosts "PUC's Got Talent," a talent show featuring some of Purdue's best in a contest to take home wonderful prizes that include 4 hours in a professional recording studio. The show will be held in Alumni Hall on the 3rd floor of SUL.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES



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Students can invite a special PUC faculty or staff member to share a meal and to say thanks. Pick up your free meal voucher redeemable for 2 free meals (1-student; 1-mentor) from Student Activities, SUL-104B. Call 989-2369 for details.

Monday, Nov. 16

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11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Oaken Arbor Café, SUL
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Wednesday, Nov. 18

MOVIE & POPCORN

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11 a.m., 2 p.m. & 4 p.m.
SUL TV Room
Free

Thursday, Nov. 19

Wii FUN & GAMES

11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Calumet Falls, SUL
Free

Friday, Nov. 20

PUC's Got talent

6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Alumni Hall, 3rd Floor, SUL
Free

Anyone interested in publicizing events, organizations, clubs or departments in "What's Going On?" must submit briefs the Monday before publication. The Chronicle does not guarantee placement of briefs submitted.

Please limit submissions to four sentences and include the first and last name of the contact person.

Briefs may be submitted via e-mail at chronicle@calumet.purdue.edu or campus cc:mail - Chronicle or to the newsroom located in the Student Union and Library building, room 344H.

CORRECTIONS

Last week's story "Break falls in Senate," The Chronicle attributed quotes to LaVon Green that were stated by SGA President David Ober. The last three paragraphs of the article in question were incorrectly attributed to Green instead of Ober. The Chronicle regrets this error.

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Drop the 'berry and hug a tree

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Anytime, all life is about is work. People rush all over, often with a cell phone plastered to their ear, a text-messaging phone glued to their fingers, and a myriad of different contraptions that are used for various forms of communication.

Lately, the way the world is built-up with technology — sprawling, overcrowded cities, and so much scuttling about — no one is really living.

Seriously, how often do people step away from laptops, Blackberries or televisions and just go outdoors in order to breathe in some fresh air — not that NW air is all that fresh — and enjoy simplicity?

People are lost in a sea of technological advances. We exist but don't live.

A writer friend of mine said that with the constant need to be connected via the Internet, phone and text-messaging, we're taken away from the true. We get lost. The world becomes disposable.

Yes, many people need technology, but sometimes, it's okay to walk away every once in a while.

I promise. It really is okay to walk away.

Henry David Thoreau was right when he said, "In wildness is the preservation of the world." When I'm away from the computer, my thoughts become less muddled and I feel energized. When I experience the outdoors, I no longer feel lost or like I'm drowning in a fiery pool of quicksand — if such a thing existed. Life slows down considerably.

If people took the time to slow down, they wouldn't feel so rushed. Part of the problem is that people are so "connected" that they don't take the time to recognize life's finer things.

When was the last time you stopped to appreciate the beauty of a leaf or the simplicity and complexity of a cloud? Do you stop long enough to listen to the sound of silence in the crisp night air?

There are so many things we are missing in life. We have lost touch of what is pure and truly real. We see material objects and allow those things to rule our lives. Yet, we are allowing the world to pass us by in the whole rat-race of society.

Life has become so empty.

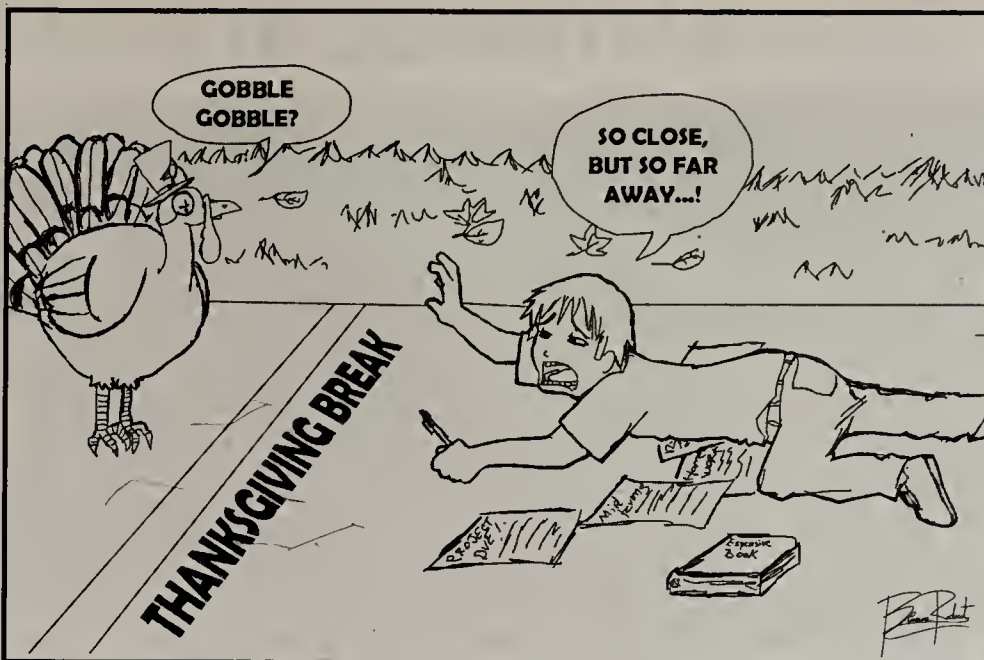
In the grand scheme of things, are we really living, or just existing? When we reach the ends of our lives, can we truly say we experienced all life had to offer, or do we look out our lives and count how many Tweets we received?

As Trixie Koontz wrote in her book "Bliss to You," "A joyful life needs to have purpose."

What is our purpose?

Take a step back. Briefly walk away from technology. Go outside, take a deep breath and experience real life, not the artificial lives to which we've grown accustomed. Maybe things will look better.

Have feedback? Readers can contact Joelle at Joelle_Halon@yahoo.com or (219) 989-2547.



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A call for open bidding

The issue: Chartwells' contract is up for renewal in 2011

Our position: More competition is needed

We support initiatives which embrace the full diversity of our campus, from race and native country to age and family life. To serve our widely varied student body, we also need a more diverse cafeteria system. Luckily, PUC is at a turning point during which students can rally for this change.

Chartwells is currently the only food service company on campus, and it and its affiliates close down at 3 p.m. The Chronicle has written in previous editorials that the company is ignoring a large segment of our population. In our Feb. 23, 2009 editorial, we cited Chartwells Food Services Director Larry Poszen.

"It was observed that participation between 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. at the main cafeteria went down," he said. "From a business

perspective, it was not a feasible choice to keep all three outlets — Oaken Arbor, Outtakes and Grab N' Go — open for the same amount of time."

With Chartwells' contract up for renewal in May 2011, PUC students have time to push the administration to allow multiple vendors to take up within the school. This increased competition would keep prices in check and allow for more varied hours.

Student diversity combined with the uniqueness that is the PUC campus leads many to take evening classes. Once again, our status as a commuter campus is ignored, as the food services available refuse to flex around the typical student schedule. Likewise, the price of meals in a monopolized campus of food ser-

vice leaves a drive to McDonald's a much cheaper option, defeating the purpose of accessible on-campus food. Especially with the University Village Phase II now open, more and more students are finding these issues unacceptable.

From a business standpoint, closing early and losing hours of opportunity for evening students to purchase product seems a losing hand for Chartwells to play. One would also think the oft overpriced food would be increasing profit. Perhaps Chartwells has a poor business model, or perhaps they simply don't have the students' best interest in mind.

Either way, we feel the administration should open up the floor to more vendors, increased competition, and, hopefully, a well-fed student body.

Separate, but equal

Adrian Ramirez
Production Manager

There was a time in my life that I was excited to get an onion ring in my fries. It was almost an occasion to hold a national holiday. I'd have called it "Onion-tentional Tuesday." But, that's neither here nor there because in my bag I found a value-sized disappointment.

If I order fries, I'm expecting just that; fries. I don't want 20 fries and four onion rings. I simply don't. If I did, I would have screamed that absurd order into the loudspeaker and expected the "Burger King" to command his serfs to let me have it my way. That is the way a monarchy works, right?

But this is the real world. If I'm unable to pay for my order anyway I see fit -- such as with a sack-full of pennies -- then they shouldn't fill my order as they see fit by substituting half my fries for onion rings.

According to Sandy, the manager of the Burger King on Kennedy and 169th, the official Burger King policy manual states that there are to be 40 fries (2.6 oz) in a value-sized fries and six to eight onion rings in a value-sized onion rings. According to my *third grade math skills*, the price per unit comes to roughly 2.5 cents for fries and between 12.5 and 16.6 cents for rings.

So, to be completely thorough, I went ahead and did some hardcore research with our copy editor and took a trip out to the local BK in order to find out what happens outside of the policy manual. Our sample size included one order of value sized fries and one order of value sized onion rings.

What we found was disheartening; more than half of our fries were replaced with onion rings, although a total of only two fries were found in the bag of onion rings with the correct amount of rings in the bag.

Although I may be getting more 'bang for my buck,' it comes at the expense of what I want. Do you really think that an onion ring is worth five to seven times the cost of one french fry? This columnist thinks not. Not to mention that I don't want rings mingling with my fries.

I firmly believe in the separation of onions and potatoes that the writers and signers of the Burger King policy manual guaranteed for all those who reside in the Burger Kingdom.

Separate but equal is what I'm talking about here.

Am I taking this too seriously? Perhaps, but if we let them get away with this, where does it end?

And if you took this seriously, remember this is a column about french fries and onion rings.

Have feedback? Readers can contact Adrian at chronicle.production@gmail.com or (219) 989-2547.

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Veterans Day celebrated at PUC AIDS

Joelle Halon
News Editor

On the 11th hour, of the 11th day, of the 11th month, many people took time to remember the lives of veterans lost and honor those who risked their lives.

PUC was no exception to Veterans Day services.

PUC hosted the Veterans Day Convocation 2009 in Alumni Hall, located in SULB, on Nov. 11. The Veterans Convocation was jointly sponsored by the From Boots to Books: Veterans and Student Service Members Academic Support Program and the Veterans Enlisted Student Association.

The convocation officially opened with Gary West Side High School's Junior ROTC Color Guard's posting of colors, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and "Star Spangled Banner." Reverend Herman Pope, the Pastor from Hammond's New Hope Missionary Baptist Church gave opening reflections.

Before the event began, Roy L. Hamilton, the Assistant Vice Chancellor of Educational Opportunity Programs spoke about the tragedy at Fort Hood, which occurred Nov. 5.

In observance of Veterans Day and in remembrance of the Fort Hood tragedy, Hamilton mentioned that in a time of selfishness, our men and women sacrifice, and in a time of division, our men and women come together.

PUC Chancellor Howard Cohen spoke after Hamilton, discussing the history of Veterans Day.

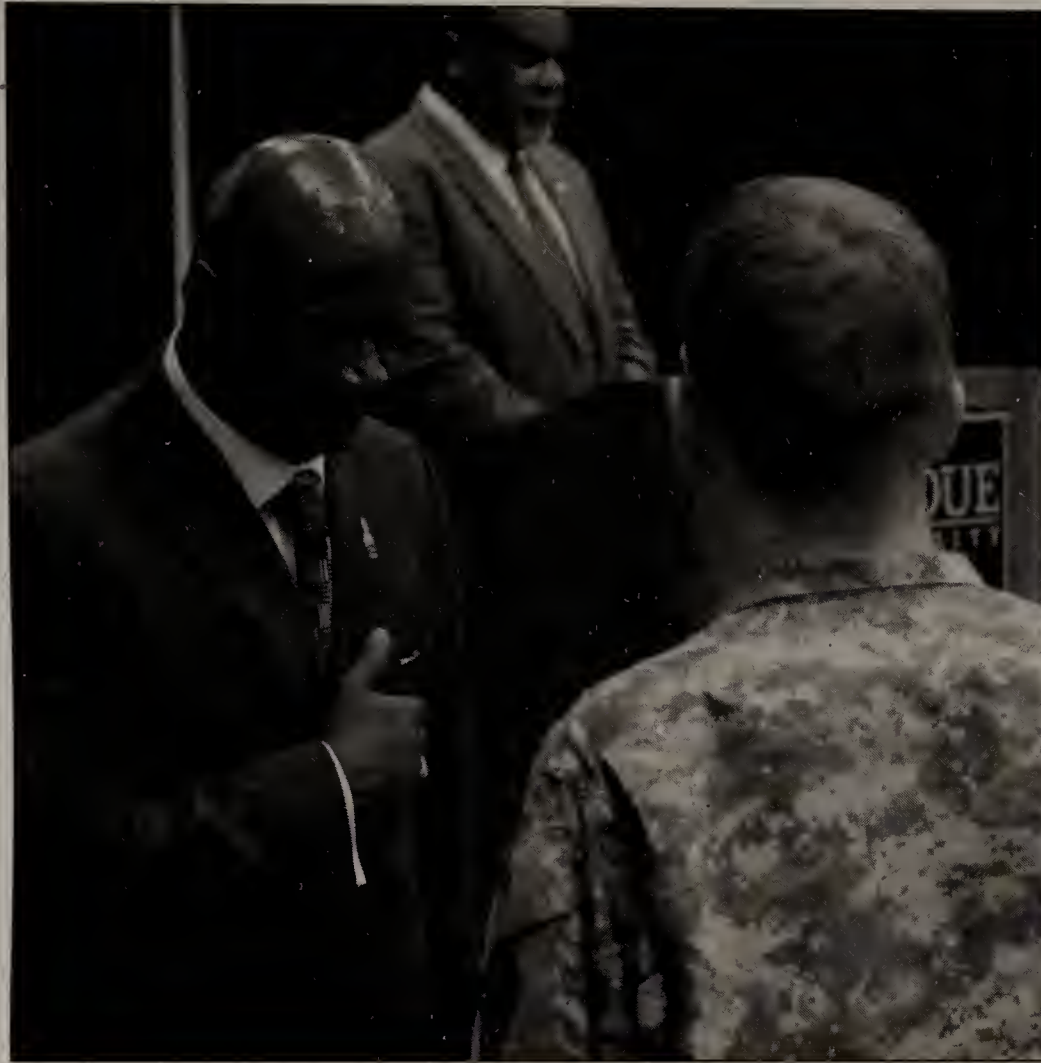
According to the 2009 Veterans Day National Committee, Veterans Day originally began as Armistice Day on Nov. 11, 1947. Raymond Weeks was the first to organize a veterans' event when he arranged a Veterans Day parade for Birmingham, AL. The parade was designed to thank and honor America's veterans for their services. In 1954, Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a bill proclaiming Nov. 11 as Veterans Day.

During his speech, Cohen mentioned, "Although wars still continue, the world is still not a safe place."

"We show gratitude to our veterans," Cohen said. "Most people cannot comprehend the sacrifice of veterans, but we must commit ourselves to the healing of those damaged."

Gary Mayor Rudy Clay also echoed this sentiment, stating, "Freedom is not free. Veterans gave their lives. Give thanks and honor."

Retired Lieutenant Quentin Smith, a Tuskegee Airman, followed Cohen. Smith discussed how Franklin D. Roosevelt made



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Command Sergeant Major (Ret.) Jimmie B. Chess, the key speaker of the Veterans Day Convocation, pays tribute in a moment of silence while taps is played.

it possible for African-American individuals to serve in the military although military units witnessed segregation.

"A pilot becomes an ace when he shoots down five airplanes," Smith said. "African-American pilots were sent home after shooting down four airplanes in order to avoid having African-American aces."

"One [African-American] pilot shot down three airplanes then shot down two more in one flight," Smith said, "They counted it as 4.5 airplanes claiming his wingman helped him with one of the planes. They later discovered that the wingman didn't have any bullets."

One of the most poignant speeches of the day was by keynote speaker, retired Command Sergeant Major Jimmie B. Chess.

According to the Veterans Day Convocation program, Chess had a decorated military career. He enlisted in the Army in 1979 and has served tours at Fort Bliss, TX, West Germany and Korea, and assigned to the University of Pennsylvania's ROTC program. Chess also had one combat tour in southwest Asia for Operation Desert Shield/Storm.

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these services. Appointments can be made with the Health Center for a blood test.

Medical counseling can also be sought with the Health Center or with the PUC Counseling Center after the tests are performed.

The only thing young people can do is protect themselves. The first step in protection is education.

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through Thursday and closes at 2 p.m. on Friday, making students in the dorms and students taking late afternoon or evening classes go elsewhere to find something to eat.

According to Chartwells, this is because there are not enough students and faculty using the cafeteria, and, therefore, there is no reason to keep it open after 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 2 p.m. on Friday because, in turn, they are losing money.

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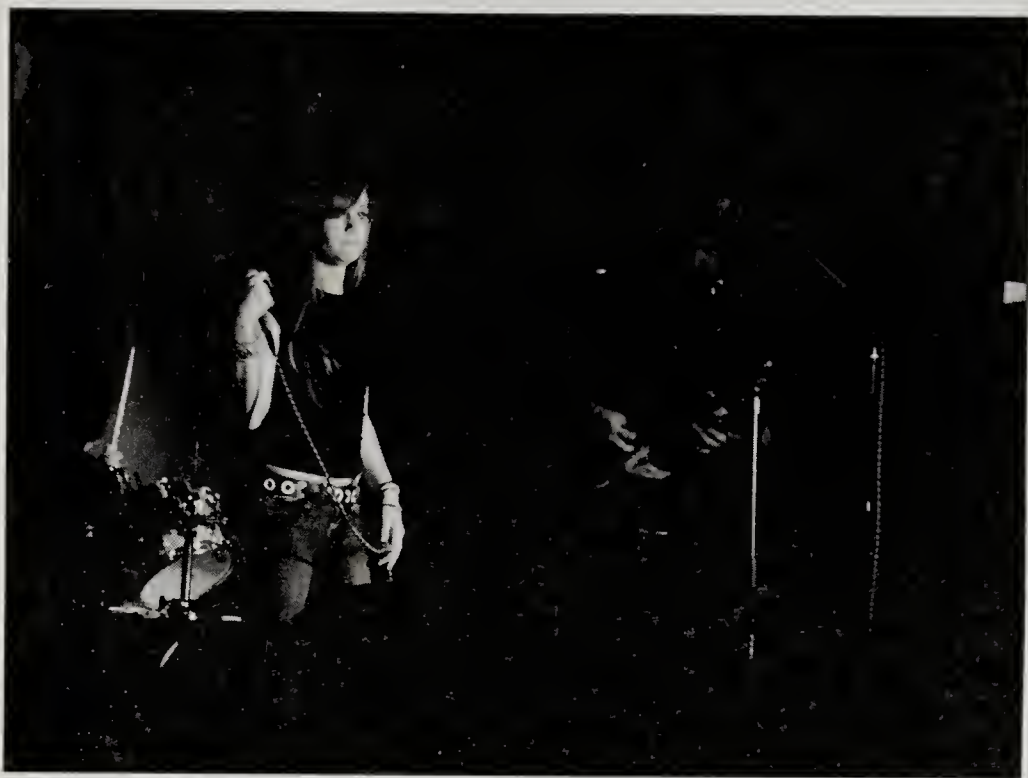
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WANT TO HELP?

The From Boots to Books Program is located in SULB 335. The office is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Arnold Ridgell (U.S Army--Retired) is PUC's intermediary. He can be reached at 219-989-2779.

Joshua Judkins benefit concert held at PUC



Chronicle photo by Nathyn D. Gibson

Lynxwail performs at a benefit concert for Joshua Judkins. The event was sponsored by the Social Justice Club and raised \$651 for the family.

Student Secular Alliance and Echo Purdue Calumet create harmonious relationship

Lane Lareau
Chronicle Correspondent

Several student organizations at PUC provide students a healthy environment for discussing religious worldviews on campus, according to the groups' leaders.

PUC students created Echo Purdue Calumet and the Secular Student Alliance in the fall 2009 semester. These groups desire to expose students to values otherwise unfamiliar to them.

David Hamstra, leader of EPC, said, "Students seek answers to questions of why they believe what they believe." This, he said, provides a unique window on campus for addressing worldviews to students.

Hamstra believes the worldviews shaped and formed during college will shape the direction of a student's life.

"These groups at PUC influence the shaping of those values," Hamstra said.

Hamstra and Nicholas Elliott, SSA President, expressed a desire to further relations between the groups. The two leaders shared an interest in creating forums for students to attend.

"A healthy dialogue exists between the two groups," Hamstra said. Hamstra mentioned members of both SSA and EPC attend each other's meetings.

Elliott said the proposed forums he and Hamstra have discussed will take questions asked by students regarding atheism and Christianity.

"These forums will provide a presence free from negativity," Elliott said.

Hamstra noted these forums

will provide students a healthy discussion regarding beliefs held by various groups.

"How can that not make you a stronger person?" Elliott asked regarding the impact discussing and learning worldviews has on students.

Gloria Roldan-Schieb, the director of campus life at PUC, said students often fear sharing their feelings based on their settings.

"These forums can provide students a comfortable setting to discuss their feelings without condemnation," Roldan-Schieb said. She added that these discussions can create well-rounded, open-minded students, prepared to enter the world and understand other views.

The director of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship Stacey Howell said these two groups, along with IVCF, share a strong interaction with one another.

"These groups strengthen the campus, as many of their

members participate in service projects," Howell said. He said these groups seek to bring life to the campus and help enhance the student experience.

"All three [groups] are here on campus to help out in any way they can," Howell said.

IVCF and EPC plan on assisting the Lakeshore Area Regional Recovery of Indiana on Nov. 21. For this project, which is sponsored by IVCF, members from these groups will restore and rebuild homes in the Gary region damaged by the Sept. 2008 flooding.

SSA supports PUC's Social Justice Club by donating money and signing petitions for the various projects the club sponsors.

Howell added that these groups impact the campus because they meet weekly and provide connections for students. Beyond simply shaping worldviews, he said these groups strive to establish communities on campus.

SSA will host a holiday party on Dec. 8. The party will include a gift exchange, holiday snacks, beverages, games, and a discussion on holiday religious celebrations.

IVCF will honor the fall 2009 PUC graduates and offer students a Christmas party with a gift exchange on Dec. 10.

EPC will also provide a Christmas party for students on Dec. 15.

The first forum between EPC and SSA is scheduled for Nov. 23 at 8 p.m. The forum will be held in the cafeteria of SULB.

Andrea Drac
Assistant News Editor

In the face of tragedy, many people gather in order to help those who are suffering. This past weekend at PUC was no exception.

On Saturday Nov. 14, people gathered together to eat, listen to music and revel in the amazing works of poetry in the SULB lounge. They also gathered to show their care and respect for Joshua Judkins.

Judkins, a ten-year-old boy from Gary, was set on fire June 2009 by three older teenagers. At the time of the incident, which took place in Hammond near his mother's home, Judkins was nine years old.

Judkins has second and third degree burns over a good amount of his body from the incident, and is still recovering.

PUC Social Justice Club, the Black Student Union and Alpha Psi Lambda sponsored the Josh Judkins' Benefit. The event was in Judkins' honor, and all monetary donations went to Judkins' family to help with medical and therapy costs.

The event was held not only to help Judkins' family with their financial burden, but also to raise awareness of the situation and make sure appropriate justice is served to Judkins' assailants, who have not yet been charged.

In a speech given to the crowd, SJC member and Master of Ceremonies for the event Mike Vega said, "We want to show everybody that we care about Joshua and this event and that justice will be served."

Vega also said the Hammond Police Department showed "racial indifference" and instead of charging Judkins' assailants for the incident, called it an "accident" and "a prank gone horribly wrong."

"The Hammond Police Department called the incident a 'prank' and did nothing further with it," Vega said.

After the opening speech, the band Nate and His Kite played a few songs and sold their CDs for \$3.00.

Lynxwail and the Greys also performed.

There were also poetry readings by members of the Black Student Union and Alpha Psi Lambda. Event organizers served refreshments for \$1.00 with proceeds going to the Judkins family.

This is not the first benefit concert held for Judkins. Albion House in Chicago held a benefit concert on Sep. 26, 2009. There was also an event held on Aug. 10, 2009 at the Hammond City Hall, where the SJC rallied for justice and spoke out about the incident at the Hammond City Council Meeting.

PUC takes first in Mechatronics

Marissa O'Donley
Staff Writer

prepare the students entering the program.

The Student Design Contest is held at the PACK Expo, a showcase of the newest processes and designs in processing and packaging. PACK Expo has more than 1,200 exhibits, as stated by packexpo.com, and more than 22,700 people attended the expo this year.

The Student Design Contest, held by the trade association Packaging Machinery Manufacturers Institute, involved creating a method of packaging pallets that would be both efficient and environmentally-friendly.

PUC was up against five other colleges from around the country. Students Gautam Agarwal, Kenneth Beckett and George Dalka attended the competition. The students presented their projects to a panel of five judges. The prize for winning was a \$4,000 scholarship, paid for by the PMMI Education and Training Foundation. The three students will split the scholarship.

Three PUC mechatronics students won first place in the Student Design Contest in Las Vegas on Oct. 6. The Mechatronic Engineering Technology program involves both electrical and mechanical systems. Students learn how to design the systems, which are used primarily in producing and packaging items that people use on a daily basis. The degree gained by mechatronic students is versatile, being usable in automotive and industrial areas, as well as in packaging.

"Students in the mechatronics program spend two semesters working in the field," said Masoud Fathizadeh, associate professor of electrical and computer engineering.

During the internship, students are graded by their supervisors, and they get the opportunity to use the actual machinery they will encounter in their chosen career paths. PUC is currently developing new courses to better

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'Fourth Kind' warps the mind



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Michelle Blaudin
Staff Writer

"The Fourth Kind" is a movie for sci-fi fans and skeptics of alien encounters alike. Purported to use real audio and visual tapings developed during Oct. 2000, the film has an original element of realism, which is lacking in most movies attempting this style and genre.

Many movies use an element of realism to make their films more intense. "The Fourth Kind" really stepped out in this category with the claim of having actual audio and visual recordings of interviews, case reports of people talking of their abductions and actually seeing a Swahili-speaking alien invade someone's voice and body.

The direction the movie takes is not only original, but it is what makes the movie as terrifying as it is. The way the director splices in original footage from therapy sessions adds to the element of realism that can be lost when cutting from scene to scene.

The whole storyline is based around the experiences and case reports of a psychologist, which involve her family, friends and neighbors residing in a place called Nome. Acts of violence are included in the movie but with very little to no blood. For example, gory footage is censored out early in the film. The violent acts,

however, were horrific enough to have an effect on most of the audience.

The camera directed a lot of attention to certain recording devices instead of the people, to focus on the audio. Focus on the character's eyes let the viewer see fear in them. The actors brought each character alive and made everything believable.

The dramatization of the real events gives enough information to make sense of the story, but also manages to keep you in the dark about the truth. There are a few plot twists that are easy to guess, and once you figure them out you want to make sure you are right by never taking your eyes off the screen. The unnerving footage of the psychologist herself was a very dramatic role for actress Mila Jonovich, who was able to dramatize the events on which the movie was based.

The actors fed information about the case studies and the number of reports made of sightings, encounters and abductions that took place in Nome. According to the information given in the film, Nome has the most reported sightings and abductions in Alaska, and may also have the most FBI investigations reported to date.

Thrills, chills, suspense, shock and horror; "The Fourth Kind" has it all.

RECIPE FOR METAL: SLAYER



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William Koester
Staff Writer

Thrash metal, a genre of music that combines the heaviness and intricate musical structure of heavy metal with the speed and aggression of punk rock, came to prominence in the 1980s. The most well-known band to emerge from that scene is Metallica. But no thrash band has ever even come close to the speed, the intensity, or the sheer craziness of Slayer.

Slayer's recipe for metal includes blazing fast guitar, thundering drums and lyrics about war, murder, and Satanism. Really, it's amazing that guitarists Kerry King and Jeff Hanneman can play such intricate riffs at supersonic speeds, with drummer Dave Lombardo pounding along every step of the way. Singer and bassist Tom Araya doesn't sing so much as yell the lyrics to keep up. He's not the greatest singer, but his voice fits right in with the

overall musical assault.

In other words, Slayer's music is the perfect stuff to send a concert crowd into a screaming, moshing frenzy. If it weren't for Slayer, many death metal and metalcore acts wouldn't exist, and few that have come along after can even touch the band's style.

Slayer's big break came with their 1986 album "Reign in Blood." They followed it with two more great albums, 1988's "South of Heaven" and 1990's "Seasons in the Abyss." In the 1990s, though, the band seemed to hit a snag. The albums during this period were still fast and loud, but seemed too routine when compared to what had come before. It seemed like something was missing --- that something may have been drummer Lombardo, who left the band to work on other projects.

In 2006, though, Slayer reunited with Lombardo and released "Christ Illusion." This was said by some to be the band's

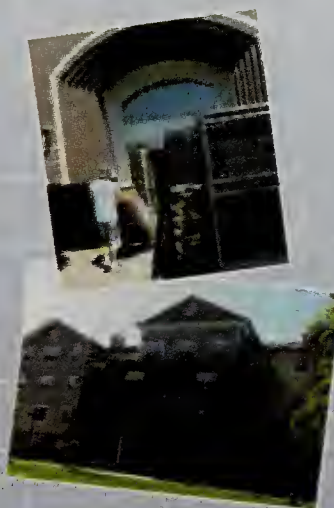
comeback album, as it sounded more on par with their work from their 80s heyday. The album was well-received by critics and fans, and even won the band a Grammy for the song "Eyes of the Insane."

The band recently followed up "Christ Illusion" with their tenth studio album, "World Painted Blood." Released on Nov. 3, the album has everything one would expect of Slayer, with King and Hanneman still punishing their guitars, Lombardo pounding his drums, and Araya screaming out the lyrical gore. The album isn't quite as hard-hitting as some of the band's best work, but then again, it's hard to think of very many albums that are. Also, they deserve credit for not succumbing to recent metal trends, such as dopey, growling, "Cookie Monster" vocals. The band has stuck to their guns, and it still sounds great.

Slayer's music is kind of an acquired taste. While metal bands such as Metallica have written more mainstream material, Slayer has never tried to branch out to other listeners. Their music is pure, loud heavy metal for true metalheads.

"World Painted Blood" is no exception. For headbangers young and old, this is one album not to miss. It won't win over any fans of other genres, but that idea is far from the band's mind.

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Feelin' the beat of 'Percussion'

Carl Kurek
Staff Writer

Anyone walking into SULB this past Saturday would have heard the beating of drums the second they opened the door. On the way up to Alumni Hall, the beat would have been much louder and different drums pounding would become more obvious. Drums, however, were merely a fraction of what was going on.

Percussion: The Heartbeat of Culture was sponsored by the PUC Building Communities through the Arts Program. The BCTA, an established community outreach program, strives to represent diverse areas from across the campus community. Normally, BCTA events every semester focus on one culture at a time; this semester, it focused on percussion through many cultures.

"It's the first time we've tried it in this format," Regina D. Bidings-Muro, emcee and member of the Office of the Chancellor, said.

Sculptor Roman Villarreal also joined the event, along with two other artists with whom Villarreal shares studio space. Their works were on display in the hallways and one of the classrooms on the SULB third floor. Villarreal, who is also a Vietnam veteran, calls the style of his artwork urban expressionism, and says it is just a gift he has always had.

Many of Villarreal's works

can be found in Chicago Park District locations and he is an instructor with the Chicago "Block 37" public art project.

He credits the closing of steel mills as the reason he decided to make art his new career path.

"From one day to the next they were closed, man. I was lucky I had this to fall back on," Villarreal said.

Deepthi Karanam, a PUC student representing the Purdue Indian Student Association, performed a traditional Indian dance called "Bharatnatyam," a graceful dance with sculpture-like poses.

PUC graduates Edwin Giboyeaux and Jonathan Perez put on a drum show with Juan Picorelli, Guillermo Vargas, Robert Perez, and Jonny Perez.

Other performers included PUC graduate Stacey Haskins,

members from Indonesian Performing Arts Chicago, the Emerson High School Dance Alliance and the Emerson High School Drum Line. The Emerson Dance Alliance competed in the Indiana High School Dance Team Competitions from 2004 to 2008 and won state titles each year.

The Emerson Drum Line, a group of six young men, won first place in a citywide competition Oct. 21 of this year. Two members of the group have played together for years, while others have only played together a few months. They all agreed, compared to the citywide competition, they weren't nervous at all to play for the crowd in Alumni Hall.

Winey Beach Café provided guests a wide variety of ethnic foods and desserts to top off the percussion's culture-exploring experience.



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Edwin Giboyeaux performs a variety of Puerto Rican-style congo beats with friends and family members.



Chronicle photo by Nathyn D. Gibson

The Indonesian Gamelan Youth Ensemble performs some traditional music on a variety of percussion instruments. The group comes from the Indonesian Performing Art in Chicago (IPAC).



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The Indonesian Gamelan Adult Ensemble perform a song and dance during Percussion: The Heartbeat of Culture, held Saturday in the Alumni Hall.

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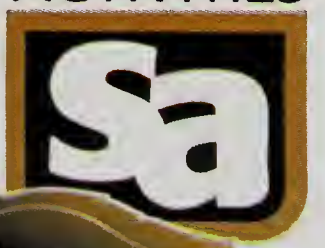


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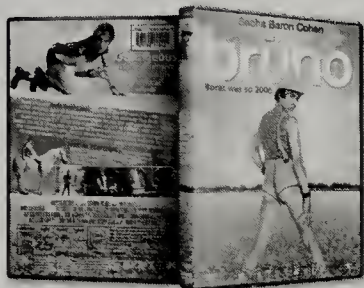
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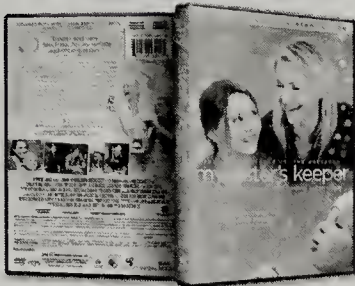
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This week's DVD releases

In another off-beat film from crazy-man Sacha Baron Cohen, this film revolves around the flamboyant character of Bruno, an Austrian supermodel who comes to American to hit it big. Rated R for pervasive language and crude sexual content, graphic nudity and language.

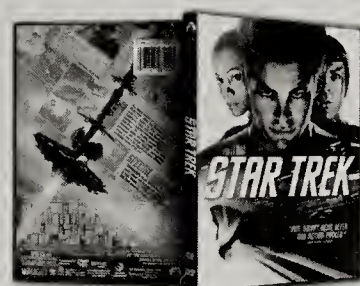


Based on the best-selling novel by Jodi Picoult, this film follows Anna Fitzgerald, who seeks medical emancipation from her parents, who have forced her to help their other leukemia-stricken daughter stay alive. Rated PG-13 for mature thematic content, disturbing images, sensuality, language and brief teen drinking.



Compiled by LeAnne Munoz, Editor in Chief

This re-make of the 1966 original television series follows the early adventures of Captain James T. Kirk and other members of the U.S.S. Enterprise. Rated PG-13 for sci-fi action violence and brief sexual content



Viral Videos

Compiled by
Nathyn Gibson
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Pirate-Be-Gone

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=83oKSHolufk>

Are you tired of pirates ruining your fun? Youtuber and PUC student NeoMikey can help with Pirate-Be-Gone.

Face-Off With a Deadly Predator

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zxa6P73Awcg>

Paul Nicklen, a photographer from National Geographic talks about the time he was befriended by a giant leopard seal. The animal would bring penguins to the photographer in order to feed him. Why won't Pixar or Disney make a movie about this?

Prank War 8: The Skydiving Prank

<http://www.collegehumor.com/video/1923808>

College Humor's feud between Amir and Streeter continues as Amir sets up a skydiving prank where Streeter is convinced that the parachute he's using is malfunctioning while in the air.

LeAnne Munoz
Editor in Chief

Winter weather has officially reared its head, bringing frosty mornings and chilly afternoon breezes. This weather brings the good: curling up with a good book by a fire; and the bad: stuffy noses, coughing and sneezing.

The best way to fight off the impending doom of sickness is to catch it before it starts by building up your immune system.

Getting the correct amount of sleep could be one of the best ways to build the immune system. A study conducted by the Archives of Internal Medicine states that people in the study who slept an average of seven hours a night were three times as likely to get sick than people who slept an average of eight hours a night.

According to ImmuneSystemRemedies.com, during deep sleep, our bodies release immune-enhancing substances which strengthen the immune system. Resting when feeling under the weather also helps a person clear their mind and reduce the stress and exhaustion illness tends to bring.

WebMd.com states eating foods rich in antioxidants can help boost your immune system. According to the site, there are three major antioxidant vitamins to look for and some of the foods they are found in:

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Beta-carotene --

squash, broccoli, sweet potatoes, tomatoes, watermelon, peaches, pumpkin, tangerines.

Vitamin C -- grapefruit, cauliflower, kiwi, mangoes, kale, honeydew, green, red, yellow peppers, tomatoes.

Vitamin E -- sunflower seeds, carrots, nuts, mangoes, papaya, spinach, pumpkin, red peppers.

According to WebMd.com, other antioxidants that may help boost immunity include zinc, which is found in oysters, whole grains, dairy products and red meat.

Selenium is also helpful in boosting the immune system, and can be found in tuna, beef and poultry.

According to whole-food-supplements-guide.com, shitake mushrooms are another food that helps to build the immune system by increasing white blood cells.

According to womensfitness.net, it is essential to drink plenty of water to build your immune system. Drinking water helps keep body fluids flowing to

the correct areas of the body, helping to keep everything working all the time.

According to womensfitness.net, if the body loses more than 20 percent of its normal water content, death will occur.

Maintaining your level of stress is another way to keep your immune system high. In a July 2004 study, psychologists Suzanne Segerstrom, Ph.D., and Gregory Miller, Ph.D., found that short-term stress that invokes the "fight or flight" response can help boost the immune system, while chronic long-term stress can impair the immune system over time. Stress reducers such as meditation and relaxation techniques can help the overall maintenance of the immune system.

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Veterans

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Chess also held many leadership positions, including Drill Sergeant, Squad Leader, and 11th ADA Brigade Command Sergeant Major. Chess earned the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the National Defense Service Ribbon and Kuwait Service Medal.

During his speech, Chess discussed the transition from veteran to civilian, especially stressing the importance of earning an education.

"In the military, you are walked through things," Chess said. "In civilian life, you're on your own. You need a mentor."

Chess said he was mentored in both military and civilian life. He also said while acting as a guard, he read books in order to improve his education. Chess encouraged fellow veterans to do the same, especially for the job-front.

"There's no such thing as getting a 'great job,'" Chess said. "You must first get your foot in the door. In the military, you are promoted by attending university. In civilian life, education is just the beginning."

Chess holds multiple degrees from multiple universities. He is currently the Vice President of Investment with JP Morgan Chase in NWI.

The powerful event closed with the Color Guard and a moment of silence. Reverend Alex Stone gave the closing reflections.



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The junior ROTC color guard from Gary West Side High School gets in position to retrieve the flags at the conclusion of Wednesday's Veterans Day Convocation.

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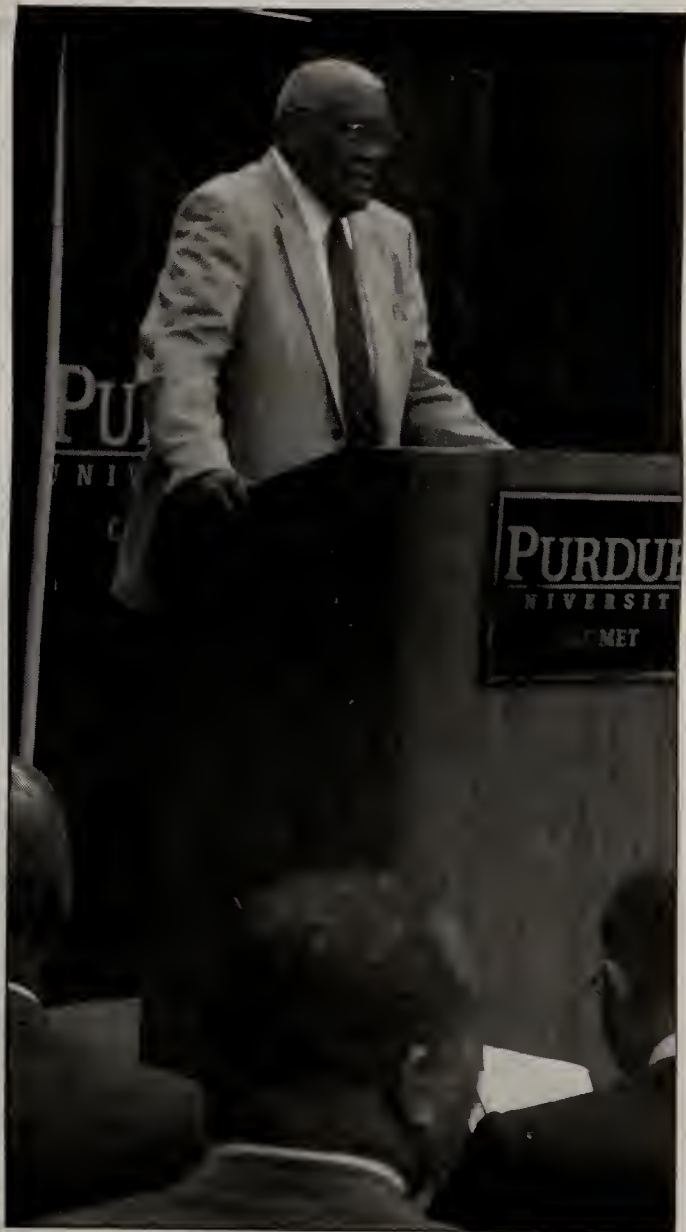
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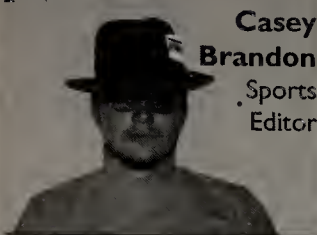
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Retired Lieutenant Quentin Smith talks about how race was a factor during his time in the US Air Force.

Kicked in the pants



Casey Brandon
Sports Editor

Last night I felt like I had been kicked in the pants. Sitting in Toyota Park, the Chicago Fire had just lost the Eastern Conference Championship to Real Salt Lake on penalty kicks 5-4.

I've felt this way a few times before. The Bears made me feel this way in 2007, so did the Cubs in 2003. It was especially hard last night, though. I've been to quite a few Fire games this season, and follow the team like a devoted fan should.

It was probably their best chance to win an MLS CUP for awhile.

Cuatemoc Blanco, the Fire's biggest playmaker, has stated publicly that he will not be back after this season. Willem Conde, arguable one of the best central defenders in the league has tried to leave the team for the past two seasons and probably won't be back next year.

The Fire's other star Brian McBride will be turning 37 soon, so his contributions might start to taper off. The rest of the team is young. They have shown flashes of brilliance, yet when Blanco wasn't in the game to set up the offense or when Conde wasn't on the back line or McBride was out for half the season recovering from surgery. So, the fire struggled

This was the best chance to go all the way.

The game itself was not decided on goals in regular time or extra time. It went down to penalty kicks. The experience of watching the penalty kicks was about a 10-minute emotional rollercoaster within itself. It was the first time I'd ever watched a round of PK's with my own team involved.

With each of the Fire's kicks the crowd and I held our breath. With each score we cheered. With each miss, heads fell.

In the end the stadium was silent.

Disbelief showed on all who sat with me. We all had been kicked in the pants.

On the field, Real Salt Lake players were running around and hugging like they just won the lottery. The Fire players were strewn around, looking as if they were lost. The handful of Salt Lake fans in attendance were celebrating.

We were sitting. After a while, my party and I got up and walked out. No one talked until we got out to the parking lot.

It was the Fire's best chance for a winner. But in the end, I just got kicked in the pants.

Have feedback? Readers can contact Casey at chronicle_sports_editor@yahoo.com or (219) 989-2547

Highland keeps on a-rollin'



Chronicle photo by Nathyn D. Gibson

Ray Finkle All-Stars member Mike Wilczynski and Team Highland member Rey Perez go after the football when Ray Finkle All-Stars threw an incomplete pass.

Intramural Hockey - Week 4

Hockey League						
Team	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Team America	4	0		8	29	8
The Scissors Me Timbers	2	2		4	15	20
PUC BlackHawks	1	3		2	7	16
PC Stars	1	3		2	8	15

Intramural Volleyball - Week 7

North			West		
Team	W	L	Team	W	L
Spiked Punch	7	0	New Flave	7	0
High Class	6	1	Kung Fu Panda	5	2
Jive Turkeys	3	4	Expansion Team	3	4
Spikers	4	3	Team Extreme	3	4
Killa Aces	2	5	Powder And Lead	1	6
TBA	1	6	Not a Quick Glance	1	6
East			South		
Team	W	L	Team	W	L
Angels of Glory	6	1	In the Net	6	1
Side Out	6	1	TB	5	2
W.O.W.	4	3	PUC Snipers	4	3
Eurocream	3	4	Bump, Ser, Spike	2	4
Will Name Later	1	6	Kiss our Pass	3	4
Dig This	1	6	Serve-ivers	0	7

Intramural Flag Football - Week 6

X-Division leader, Y-playoff spot, W-Wildcard

N.F.F.C. (North)			A.F.F.C. (West)		
Team	W	L	Team	W	L
X-Highland	6	1	X-Rams	5	2
Ochocinco	3	4	Y-Ray Finkle All-Stars	4	3
Y-Avengers	4	3	4th N I	4	3
Farve Dollar Footlong	2	5	W-Manchester Divided	4	3
MeatHammers	0	7	Vanity Rushaz	0	7
N.F.F.C. (East)			A.F.F.C. (South)		
Team	W	L	Team	W	L
X-Ram Rod	6	1	Y-Fantastik 4	5	2
Y-Hall of Famers	5	2	X-Shake N Bake	6	1
W-American Dream	4	3	PUC Bears	4	3
Purdue Calianz	4	3	Dynasty	3	4
Team Names	0	7	Scrubs	0	7

Julie Sipek
Staff Writer

Team Highland achieved an early lead over the Ray Finkle All-Stars, which it maintained for the win in Wednesday's final regular season flag football game.

Highland started the game out with a touchdown on its first possession. Highland then gave up a touchdown to the Ray Finkle All-Stars, but responded by scoring two more times.

"We should have had better defense," Mike Wilczynski of Ray Finkle All-Stars, a junior majoring in communications, said.

Each team scored two more times before the half, putting Highland in the lead 35-21.

"We should have been up by more," Rey Perez of Highland, a junior majoring in journalism, said. "But we felt pretty good being up by two scores."

At the start of the second half, both teams went more than four minutes without scoring.

"The whole team was dropping balls, and the quarterback was overthrowing them," Wilczynski said.

Towards the end of the game, each team threw a long touchdown pass, and Highland was able to tack on one more. The Ray Finkle All-Stars attempted a final play by lateral passing to everyone on the team, but were unsuccessful. The game ended with a score of 49-28.

Wilczynski said that they could have won the game if their quarterback moved the ball around more.

Highland, on the other hand, was very happy with how the game played out.

"They were a little disorganized, so we played off of that," Perez said. "We also have a lot of speed and we used that to our advantage."

Highland will be heading into the playoffs with an impressive record of 6-1.

"We did well today, as well as all season," said Perez. "We should have gone undefeated, but we see ourselves doing well in the playoffs."

The flag football playoffs will begin next Monday and Wednesday. There will be games at 7:30 p.m., 8 p.m. and 8:45 p.m. on Monday and 8:30 p.m., 9 p.m. and 9:45 p.m. on Wednesday in the gym.

NATIONAL LAMPOON SPORTS MINUTE

Written by Steve Hofstetter, Keith Alberstadt, Ryan Murphy and Chris Strait

The Washington Nationals named Jim Riggleman their permanent manager. In lieu of sending flowers, the family requests donations to the Riggleman Career Memorial Fund.

Mike Tyson was detained by the police after hitting a photographer at LAX. He was the only person there to make his connection.

Brett Favre is reportedly dealing with ankle, knee, foot, hip, and groin issues. On the positive side, his uvula has never felt better.

Researchers in Denmark have discovered that it takes up to 1,000 years for some golf balls to decompose naturally. Which is 999 years longer than John Daly's liver.

Lamar Odom says he wants to start having children with Khloe Kardashian right away. That way, their six-month marriage will still encompass most of the pregnancy.

Denver Nuggets guard J.R. Smith hopes to rebuild his image by changing his name to Earl Smith III. Or maybe one of his other aliases.

Shaquille O'Neal and his wife are divorcing after seven years of marriage. In seven years, O'Neal never hit her. Or a free throw.

The Phoenix Coyotes are interested in signing 47-year-old Chris Chelios. Fortunately, Chelios might be senile enough to take the offer.

Larry Johnson says the Chiefs decision to release him has left him with a "bad taste in his mouth." Wow. It's like gay joke mad-libs.

Hasheem Thabeet fractured his jaw after colliding with Zach Randolph's head. Finally - we knew Randolph's head had to be good for something.

Two students claim they were recently pushed by Michigan athletic director Bill Martin. It's never a good sign when your AD has more fight in him than your football team.

And the Boston Red Sox agreed to a \$5 million contract with Tim Wakefield. The contract spans two years, or one pitch from Tim Wakefield.

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Women's Basketball

November			
Fri 11/13/09	Damen College (NY)	@Amherst, NY	5:30 p.m.
Sat. 11/14/09	Notre Dame (OH)	@Amherst, NY	2:00 p.m.
Tue. 11/17/09	Bethel College	@Mishawaka, IN	7:00 p.m.
Sat. 11/21/09	St. Xavier University	Fitness Center	1:00 p.m.
Tue. 11/24/09	IU South Bend	Fitness Center	5:00 p.m.
11/28/09	Holy Cross College	@Notre Dame, IN	12:00 p.m.

Men's Basketball

November			
11/13/09	IU East	@Richmond, IN	9:00 p.m.
Sat. 11/14/09	IU Southeast	@Richmond, IN	3:00 p.m.
Tue. 11/17/09	Michigan Dearborn	Fitness Center	7:00 p.m.
Tue. 11/24/09	IU South Bend	Fitness Center	7:00 p.m.
Sat. 11/28/09	Taylor University	@Upland, IN	3:00 p.m.

Men's Peregrines are 0-2. Women's Peregrines are 2-0

'Timber' advances past 'Hawks'



Chronicle photo by Jose Cortez

PUC BlackHawks member Steve Wagner and Scissors Me Timbers member Amanda Miksich fight for possession of the ball during the Nov. 10 game

Casey Brandon
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As the third period ended, so did the season for PUC BlackHawks. Scissors Me Timber knocked PUC BlackHawks out in the first round of the intramural hockey playoffs on Nov. 10.

The BlackHawks were not disappointed, according to player Ian Hernandez, a freshmen majoring in communications.

"We played pretty well," Hernandez said. "We'll be back next year."

The BlackHawks scored the first goal of the game in the fifth minute of the first period. Only a minute later, though, Shiver Me Timber evened up the score.

Scissors Me Timbers came out shooting in the first period, scoring a second goal 30 seconds later.

In the second period, Scissors Me Timbers continued their scoring by tacking on another two goals.

Scissors Me Timbers scored first to make the score 3-1, but at the 3 minute mark, BlackHawks were able to get a goal back.

With a minute left, Scissors Me Timbers scored, making the score at the end of the period 4-2.

In the third period, Scissors Me Timbers went into a more defensive strategy, while the

BlackHawk's offense tried unsuccessfully to score. The third period ended with a final of 4-2 in favor of Scissors Me Timbers.

According to Melissa Jez, a junior majoring in elementary education, it felt good to finish out the regular season second in the standings

In the other game of the

night, Team America dominated PUC Stars with a final score of 6-3.

"This was the best game this year, competition-wise," Kurt Bendoraitis of Team America, a sophomore majoring in electrical engineering, said.

The Finals for Hockey will be held on Dec. 1, and will be a best-two-out-of-three format.

Next week intramural hockey will be open play.

Winner emerges from heat in the kitchen

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Bridget Marczewski had a sweet success over her competition when her cupcake was crowned the Official Cupcake of Oaken Arbor.

The finals for the Third Annual Intramurals Baking were Nov. 9. With only three competitors left out of nine, the contestants were to create a cupcake that would appeal to five judges.

The judges were a mixed group ranging from students, instructors and experts in the field.

"We try to set a good mix of judges to provide for equal and fair scoring among competitors," Matt Dudzik, Intramurals Sports Coordinator, said.

The past try to bake this year was the cupcake. They would be judged on fluffiness, sweetness and a balance in taste.

"We decided cupcakes this year, because it is simple to make and not as complex or long to make as cookies and brownies, which we have used in the last two bake offs," Dudzik said.

According to Dudzik, changing what is baked every year adds variety and attracts different people to participate.

As the three finalists presented their cupcakes and let the judges rate them, spectators were allowed to eat the extras and taste each individual's recipe. In the end, Bridget Marczewski, a senior majoring in hospitality and tour-

ism management, was declared the winner.

"It's an orange chiffon cupcake with orange scented butter cream. It's my grandmother's recipe. It's a family recipe and I felt comfortable with it," Marczewski said.

This was not her first time in this competition. She had also participated in last year's competition, which focused on cookies. Marczewski came into this competition as a veteran prepared from her experience of last year.

She also mentioned her fellow competitors were very impressive.

"I have tried each of their recipes and they are too different to even compare to our own. We just put our hope in the judge's ratings," Marczewski said.

"They would be judged on fluffiness."

The judges all seemed to agree the decision was difficult, each having to take multiple bites and looks.

"It was close," said Larry Poszen, "The orange cupcake was my second choice, but not far from being first."

Poszen is the regional executive chef for Chartwells.

Just like the other judges, Poszen was searching for a balance in flavor between the cake and the icing.

"This year, our competition has been very close by single points," said Dudzik, "In the first round we have had people just miss being in the finals by one point or nearly tied."

Peregrines still looking for win

Staff Report

Men's basketball failed to produce a first win of the season and came home from IU/PU Challenge with a record of 0-4. The Peregrines were defeated by both Indiana University East and Indiana University Southeast in the tournament held on Nov. 13 through 14.

The Peregrines on Friday had taken a 72-70 lead with 7:41 left in the second half in the game against IUE. A Red Wolves 29 point to PUC's 12 point run, ended the Men's team's hope at a win as IUE went on to win 101-84.

"They just kept bringing the pressure the whole game," Coach Dan Voudrie said. "They were able to turn us over late, and that made the difference in the game."

Forward Neal Hudson, a junior majoring in accounting, led the Peregrines with 28 points, while shooting 12 for 12 from the free-throw line. Guard Jordon Champion, a freshmen majoring in biology, finished the night with 12 points, all coming from 3-point shots.

On Saturday, PUC fell short to IUS, which is NAIA nationally ranked at number 10, with a final score of 101-95. The Peregrines had a strong effort in the second half, with a season high 50 points scored, but were hampered by a season worst, 33 turnovers in the game.

Top Scorer for the Peregrines was center Cameron Bright, a freshmen majoring in pharmacy, with a career high 28 points. Bright also grabbed 10 rebounds to record his second double-double of the season.

The Peregrines game scheduled for Nov. 17 against Michigan Dearborn has been canceled.

Indiana University East Athletic Department contributed to the story.

PUC has tough time in NY

Staff Report

The Lady Peregrines found themselves sitting at .500 after playing in New York on Nov. 13 through 14. PUC's record fell to 2-2, after losing to Daemen College and Notre Dame (OH).

The women's basketball team fell behind early and weren't able to recover in a 99-80 loss to Daemen College Friday. The Lady Peregrines struggled in the first half, finding themselves trailing at halftime 57-15. In the second half, PUC came out shooting, managing to score 65 points. In the end though, the Lady Peregrines were not able to overcome the huge first half deficit.

Guard MeMe Harris, a junior majoring in medicine, led the team with 13 points. Guard Nicci Desmione, a sophomore majoring in sociology, led the team in assists with five.

Lady Peregrines fell in overtime to Notre Dame, to close out a tough weekend in New York. PUC went into half time, leading over The Falcons 39-31. For much of the second half, the Lady Peregrines were able to hold onto the lead. But a last second 3-point shot by Notre Dame sent the game into overtime.

The Lady Falcons outscored PUC 13-5 in overtime to win the game 87-79.

Harris led PUC with 13 points scored and 6 assists dished out. Guard Stephanie Beck, a sophomore majoring in hospitality and tourism management, pulled down seven rebounds.

Facts and statistics for this story taken from PUC press release.

8 ball season continues



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Micheal Joseph defeated Brandon Smith in week three of the eight-ball intramural league.

'Punch' still undefeated

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Two teams went in undefeated, but only Spiked Punch remained so after they faced off against Angels of Glory in intramural volleyball on Nov. 12.

The Angels won the first set 21-14, but Spiked Punch stepped up their play and felled the Angels 21-14 in set two and 21-18 in set three.

Even though one of the Angels' staple players was absent due to getting his appendix removed, the Angels came out red hot for set one. Teamwork, consistent serving, and some zinger kills resulted in a big win for them. Cheering for the Angels were a number of fans on the sideline.

Sets two and three showed great teamwork and competition on each side, but ultimately the match went to still undefeated

Spiked Punch. With their war paint on, Spiked Punch powered up the intensity and put it all in their serves and spikes.

The Angels switched back to their winning court after set two's loss. The score remained close, but Spiked Punch proved victorious.

"This was definitely one of the best games we've had this season," Letticia Amaguer of Spiked Punch, a senior majoring in ad-

vertising, said.

The Angels were in good spirits after the match, with player Francisco Madrigal, a sophomore majoring in networking and security, acknowledging the loss.

"We'll give them a tough match in the playoffs," Madrigal said.

Will Name Later was defeated in two straight sets by To Be Announced later in the night allowing TBA to get their first win on the season.

TBA came into the match with a record of 0-6, while Will Name Later had only achieved one win in the season.

TBA won the first two sets 21-17 and 21-10, but gave up a well-fought set three to Will Name Later 15-14.

Both sides played pick-up style volleyball. This was partly due to the fact that set one consisted of 5-on-5 play, where as each side normally has six players.

While switching courts, two

more players showed up for Will Name Later. Even with the extra help, however, TBA came out with another win in the second set.

The tables turned in set three. Will Name Later led off strong and started working together. TBA was winning, but botched the serve at game point, which allowed Will Name Later's freshman substitute Celeste Bakr the opportunity to run the board. On five straight serves, Will Name Later scored, securing the win in set three.

Bakr mentioned feeling victorious, even though the match went to TBA.

The team had a lot of fun throughout the match, according to TBA players Don Dixon and John Tessling.

"It was one of our better games," Tessling, a mechanical engineering major, said.

Dixon, a mathematics major, added the team just wants to make the playoffs.



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Francisco Madrigal, of Angels of Glory, attempts to spike the ball during Thursday's game against Spiked Punch.



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Fans gather to cheer on Angels of Glory, some with signs, handmade shirts and angel attire.

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